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A FATEFUL RENDEZVOUS WITH TAKUMA-SAN

Mori no Takuma-san

AYUMI KOMURA

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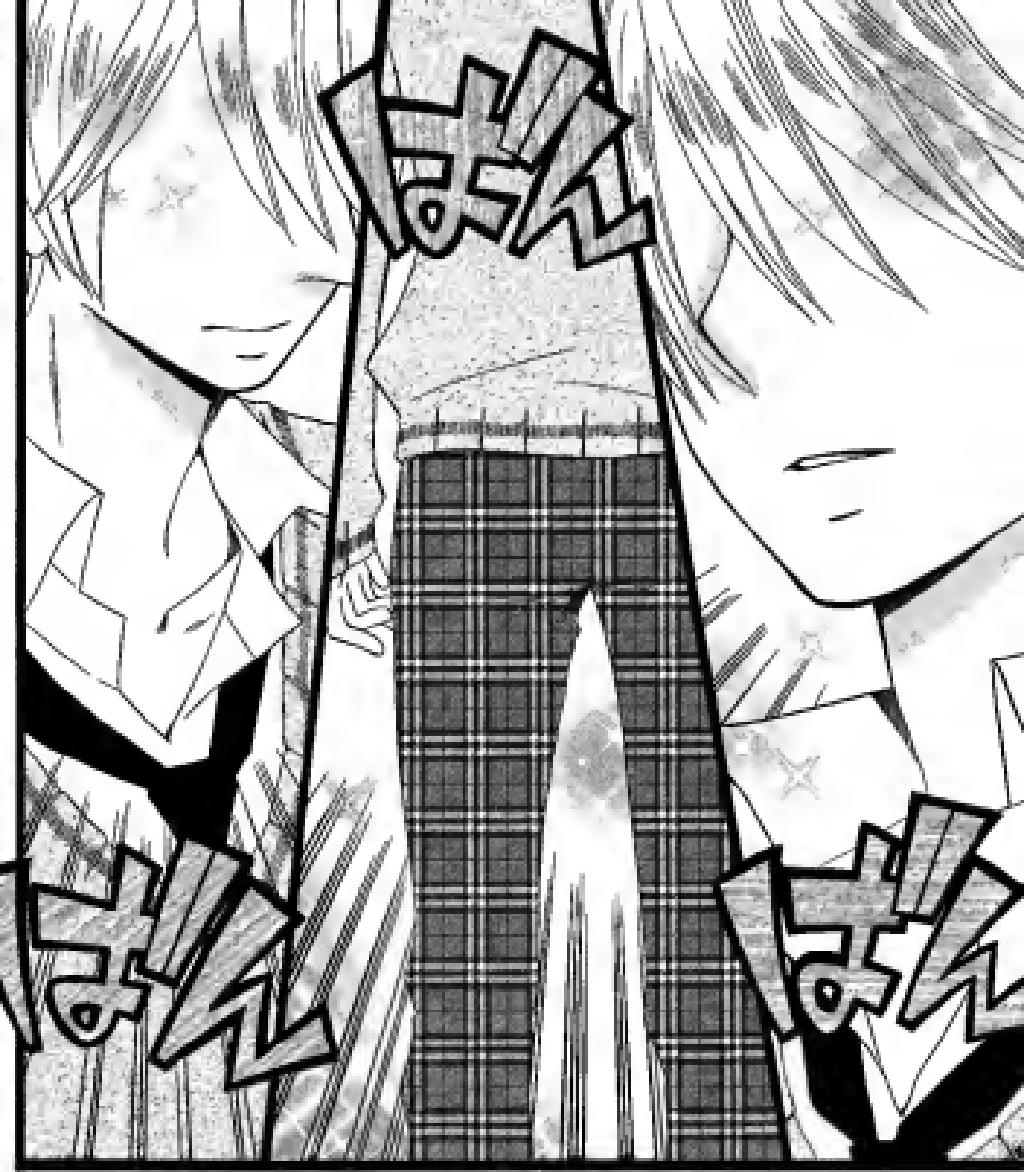
► STORY

HOW A GUY LOOKS IS EVERYTHING! KARIN IS A GIRL WHO HAS DREAMED OF BEING IN A RELATIONSHIP WITH A PRINCELY GUY SOMEDAY. ONE DAY OUT OF THE BLUE, SHE WAS SET UP ON A BLIND DATE WITH A HIGH SPEC CLASSMATE WHO FITS THAT CRITERIA AND IS EVEN THE SON OF A COMPANY PRESIDENT THAT RECENTLY CAME BACK FROM STUDYING IN AMERICA.

KARIN JUMPED AT THE CHANCE. HOWEVER, ALTHOUGH THE GUY THAT SHOWED UP ON THE BLIND DATE WAS KARIN'S IDEAL, HE WAS ALSO AN EXTREMELY PLUMP MARSHMALLOW TYPE OF GUY NAMED TAKUMA!! ALTHOUGH SHE DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD WORK OUT AT FIRST, SHE WAS DRAWN TO TAKUMA'S UNPARALLELED KINDNESS...AND ENDED UP GOING OUT WITH HIM. BUT KARIN DISCOVERED THAT WHEN TAKUMA LOSES WEIGHT, HE TURNS INTO HER IDEAL HOT GUY... UWAAAAAAA! (-SHE'S CONFLICTED WITH A LOT OF STUFF).

EVEN THOUGH SHE CAN BOLDLY SAY, "I FELL IN LOVE WITH HIM FOR HIS PERSONALITY", WHEN CONFRONTED BY ANYONE SNIDELY ASKING, "THEN DOES THAT MEAN YOU DON'T LIKE HOW HE LOOKS?", KARIN CAN'T REFUTE THEM. RIGHT AT THAT TIME, TAKUMA FINDS OUT THAT THE TYPE OF GUY KARIN LIKES IS WHEN HE HAS SLIMMED DOWN, SO HE DECIDES TO GO ON A DIET! TAKUMA HAS A MIRACULOUS BODY THAT SLIMS DOWN IF HE MISSES A MEAL. THIS IS GONNA BE EASY!!...OR SO YOU'D THINK, BUT IT'S SO DIFFICULT MAKING TAKUMA HOLD BACK FROM EATING! AS A LAST RESORT, KARIN TELLS HIM, "IF YOU LOSE SOME WEIGHT, LET'S KISS!"





MORINO TAKUMA SAN





TAKUMA  
LOST  
WEIGHT!

HUH?  
IS THAT  
MORINO-  
KUN?

WHOAI  
WHO'S  
THAT?

NO WAY!

EH?

THAT'S  
AMAZING!  
IT DIDN'T  
SEEM LIKE  
IT WAS  
POSSIBLE!

KARIN!

HOW'D  
YOU GET  
HIM TO  
LOOK LIKE  
THAT?



IS A LAST  
RESORT NO  
MATTER HOW  
YOU LOOK  
AT IT!!!

ASKING  
HIM  
TO PAY  
WITH HIS  
BODY...

IN A MANGA,  
IT'D EITHER  
JUST BE A  
JOKE OR WOULD  
NORMALLY BE  
REJECTED.

Karin's odd skirt



The end

SERIOUSLY,  
WHAT AM I  
DOING!?

She calmed  
down and  
worried  
about it  
later.

Glances

BLAH.

HE  
REALLY  
LOST  
WEIGHT  
FOR ME...

THAT MUST  
MEAN THAT  
TAKUMA WANTS  
TO KISS ME,  
TOO...

TA-  
KUMA...

TA-  
KUMA...  
I'M GOING  
TO KISS THAT  
GUY? WHAT  
IS THIS?

OH MY  
GOOSH HE'S  
SMOKING HOT!  
OH NO, I'M  
DROOLING!



Ah!

Wah! Wah!

HE...HE'S  
CLEARLY  
AVOIDING  
ME...

EH??

HUH  
...?

UH, DO  
YOU HAVE  
TO ASK?

OF COURSE  
HE'D GET  
CREEPED OUT  
IF YOU TELL  
HIM YOU'D  
KISS HIM IF  
HE LOST  
WEIGHT.

WHY  
!!?

AFTER ALL,  
EVEN I'M  
CREEPED OUT  
ABOUT IT!!!

!!!

SHE'S  
RIGHT!!!



I WASN'T  
AVOIDING  
YOU!

NO!

UHHH... AHHH...



AH.

BUT YOU TURNED  
AWAY FROM ME  
EARLIER...

I THOUGHT YOU  
MIGHT THINK I  
WORKED HARD  
TO LOSE WEIGHT  
WITH THAT GOAL  
IN MIND...

I'M THE  
ONE THAT  
THOUGHT  
YOU'D BE  
CREEPED  
OUT BY IT...

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT! I DIDN'T LOSE WEIGHT BECAUSE I WANTED TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

IT

BUT I WAS THE ONE THAT BROUGHT IT UP, SO THAT DOESN'T CREEP ME OUT.

HUH?

MY HEART STARTED RACING WHEN I WAS THINKING THAT WE MIGHT DO STUFF LIKE THAT SOMEDAY...

SO I COULDN'T EAT ANYTHING...

I MAY BE USED TO IT...

SO AREN'T YOU USED TO PEOPLE BEING ALL TOUCHY-FEELY...?

B...BUT YOU USED TO BE IN AMERICA.

BUT DOING  
THAT WITH YOU  
IS DIFFERENT  
WHAT WITH  
HOW I FEEL  
ABOUT YOU,  
KARIN-CHAN...

Nod  
Nod

BUT DO  
YOU LIKE ME  
LIKE THIS,  
KARIN-CHAN?

IS HE  
TRYING TO  
MAKE MY  
HEART  
EXPLODE!?

THEN I'M  
GLAD.

Eh  
heh!



THAT I  
WOULDN'T  
BRING UP  
US KISSING  
ANYMORE,

I  
KNOW  
I SAID

LET'S  
KISS,  
AFTER  
ALL...

BUT...









IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
THEY'RE  
DIFFERENT  
PEOPLE...

BUT I  
BROUGHT  
A TON OF  
CREAM  
PUFFS  
TODAY!!

BECAUSE  
YOU LOST  
WEIGHT  
!?

YOU'RE  
NOT GONNA  
EAT THESE  
ANYMORE

I'M  
SORRY.

THAT'S  
RIGHT.

WHAT  
!?

YOU'RE SO  
SHALLOW!

WHY DID  
YOU MAKE  
HIM GO  
ON A DIET,  
SAKUMA?

AND THERE'S NO BENEFIT TO YOU EVEN IF HE WENT BACK TO HOW HE WAS BEFORE!!

HE ISN'T YOURS!!

GIVE US BACK OUR TEDDY BEAR...!!

GIVE HIM BACK...!!

Lookin' terms of his health!

IT'S BETTER FOR HIM TO HAVE LOST WEIGHT TO BEGIN WITH!

...THAT'S RIGHT!

He's our son...

AHHH, YOU'RE RIGHT.

AH! TAKUMA,  
THERE'S THAT MELON BREAD VENDOR AGAIN!

IT'S FINE THE WAY THINGS ARE NOW!!

BUT I  
GUESS I'LL  
PASS FOR  
TODAY.



KARIN,  
DO YOU  
WANT MORE  
RICE?

...YEAH,

THIS IS  
WHAT A  
NORMAL  
COUPLE  
IS LIKE...

!?

KARIN  
!!

WH...WHAT'S  
GOING ON WITH  
TAKUMA-KUN?  
IS HE FEELING  
SICK OR  
SOMETHING!?

WH...WHAT,  
DAD.?

YOUR  
HAT  
IS IN  
MY  
MOUTH

HUH  
??  
ONLY THE  
ONES THAT  
TAKUMA-KUN  
TASTES AND  
APPROVES OF  
ARE THEN SOLD  
IN STORES.

WELL...  
WHEN OUR  
COMPANY  
DEVELOPS  
NEW  
PRODUCTS,

NO...  
HE'S NOT.

DID  
SOMETHING  
HAPPEN?

WON'T DO  
ANY TASTE  
TESTING..!

BUT NOW  
TAKUMA-  
KUN..

.....

NO.

BUT IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
IT'S THAT  
BIG OF A  
DEAL...

I.I.  
SHE.

BUT ALL  
OF THE NEW  
PRODUCTS  
BACK THEN  
BOMBED,

TAKUMA-KUN  
STOPPED  
TASTE TESTING  
ONCE BEFORE,

AND THE  
COMPANY WAS  
DRIVEN TO THE  
BRINK OF  
BANKRUPTCY.

ARE YOU  
KIDDING  
ME!?

**WHAAAAT**

?

HE SHOULD GO BACK TO BEING THE TWINKIE TEASER EVEN IF IT MEANS HE'LL GO BACK TO HOW HE WAS...

IN THE END...

AA  
YEAH.

I'M STARTING TO GET THE HANG OF IT, TOO.

LOOK!

I'M STILL MAINTAINING MY WEIGHT.

I HAVE TO TELL ARI.

KARIN-CHAN!

AA  
TA-KUMA...

EVEN IF IT'S JUST A LITTLE BIT, I WANT YOU THINK I'M COOL, KARIN-CHAN.



I  
HAVE  
TO TELL  
HIM...

EVEN  
THOUGH

THANK  
YOU VERY  
MUCH!



THE TITLE  
PAGE WAS  
A REQUEST  
FROM A  
PROJECT IN  
MARGARET

He's a teddy bee...  
Just kidding!!

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Chompi

IN BITE





A FEW  
DAYS  
HAVE  
PASSED  
SINCE  
TAKUMA  
LOST  
WEIGHT.

MORINO TAKUMA SAN





**What's  
that  
supposed  
to  
mean?  
oooo?**

I  
MIGHT  
HAVE  
TO

BECOME A  
TERRORIST...

THAT ARE IN  
A REAL BIND  
BECAUSE  
TAKUMA LOST  
WEIGHT,

THERE  
ARE  
SOME  
PEOPLE

**BUT,**

**Mainly  
guys**

AND I KNOW  
OF OTHERS  
WHO ARE  
DISAPPOINTED  
ABOUT IT, TOO.

KARIN-  
CHAN,



AND EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT ORDINARY FOR TAKUMA TO HOLD BACK FROM EATING ANYTHING TASTY.

ALTHOUGH HE LOSES WEIGHT JUST FROM MISSING A SINGLE MEAL.

IN THE END, ALTHOUGH IT MAY BE SLEAZY OF ME TO SAY THIS,

HE LOST WEIGHT FOR ME...

I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL HAPPY ABOUT THAT.

IT FEELS SO GOOD TO HAVE A HOT BOYFRIEND!

OH MY GOSH!

TO GO  
BACK  
TO THE  
WAY HE  
WAS...

SO I  
CAN'T  
TELL  
HIM









I DON'T  
HAVE ANY  
OTHER  
CHOICE...

I'M  
SORRY  
ABOUT  
THIS...

BUT



HE WASN'T  
JOOKING  
WHEN  
HE SAID  
THAT...?

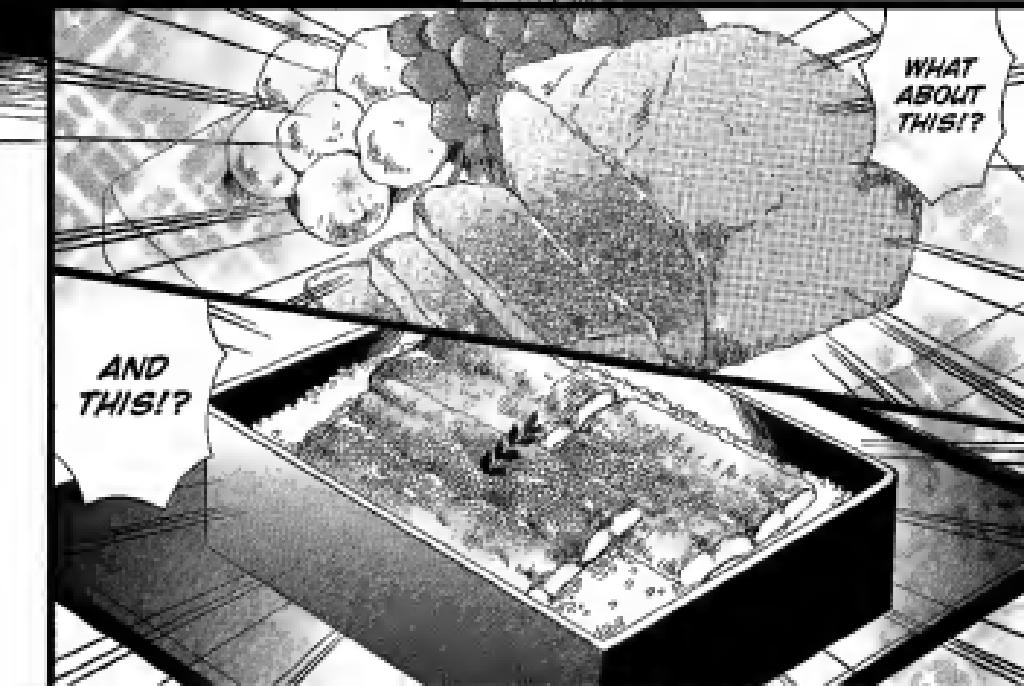
"I MIGHT  
HAVE TO  
BECOME A  
TERRORIST..."

O...

DOES  
THAT  
MEAN







AND  
THIS TO  
TOP IT  
OFF!!

YOU SHOULDN'T  
BE ABLE TO  
STOP YOURSELF  
FROM TRYING  
THESE WHEN  
THEY'RE RIGHT  
IN FRONT OF...

ACTUALLY...  
I'D LOVE TO  
TRY THAT...

Although, that's  
beside the point.

ALL OF  
THESE  
ARE YOUR  
FAVORITES,  
RIGHT???

BUT I'LL  
PASS.

I'M  
SORRY,

HMM...

BESIDES, I  
DON'T THINK I  
HAVE TO EAT  
THAT MUCH  
ANYMORE.

A NORMAL  
AMOUNT IS  
ENOUGH.





BUT...!





HUH?



EAT!

AN IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
THAT!

YOU  
CAN'T EAT  
SOMETHING  
I BROUGHT  
YOU!?

EH?  
HUH?  
BUT



IF I EAT  
THOSE, I'LL  
GO BACK TO  
HOW I WAS  
BEFORE...



YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE TO  
COMPARE  
ME WITH  
THAT!

W  
H  
A  
A  
A  
A  
A  
T  
!?

I'M Me!!  
And Food  
Is Food!!

BUT  
THIS  
ISN'T  
RIGHT.

I WAS HAPPY  
THAT YOU  
LOST WEIGHT  
FOR ME...

But  
you  
kicked  
me.

ISN'T THE  
SORT OF  
TAKUMA THAT  
FELT I WANT  
TO BE WITH.

THAT  
ARE IN  
A BIND

IGNORING  
PEOPLE  
AROUND  
YOU



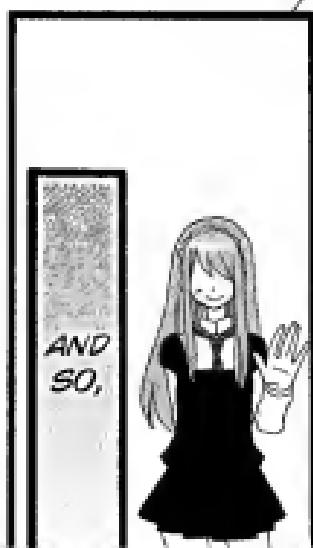
I DON'T  
WANT  
TO BE A  
TERRIBLE  
WOMAN

I'M  
HAPPY  
THAT HE  
LIKES  
ME.

AND  
I'M HAPPY  
THAT HE  
CHERISHES  
ME,

THAT  
ENDS UP  
HINDERING  
YOU!

BUT THAT'S  
WHY I HAVE  
TO KEEP IT  
TOGETHER  
OR ELSE I'LL  
SCREW UP  
HIS LIFE.



MORINO'S  
NEW SWEETS  
WERE SAFELY  
APPROVED  
FOR SALE.

DAD'S  
MOOD  
STABILIZED...

ALL RIGHT!  
THESE  
PRODUCTS  
ARE GONNA  
BE GREAT!

TASTY FOOD  
REALLY IS  
DELICIOUS!

Eh heh! ♥

AND TAKUMA  
COMPLETELY  
WENT BACK TO  
HOW HE USED  
TO BE.

DON'T YOU  
THINK IT'S  
SUCH A  
WASTE,  
KARIN?

EH?!

AND  
NATURALLY,  
THERE WERE  
ALSO A LOT  
OF PEOPLE  
WHO WERE  
DISAPPOINTED.

Mainly  
guys

THERE  
WERE  
SOME  
WHO  
WERE  
HAPPY  
ABOUT IT.

IT KIND OF  
FELT LIKE  
THEY WERE  
DIFFERENT  
PEOPLE,

AND EVEN  
THOUGH  
THEY'RE  
THE SAME  
GUY,

SO IT FELT  
LIKE I WAS  
CHEATING  
ON HIM.

I  
MEAN,

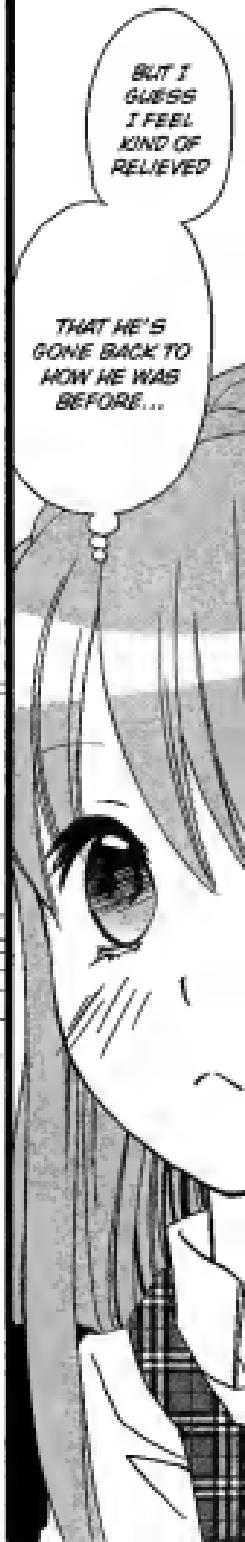
BUT I  
GUESS  
I FEEL  
KIND OF  
RELIEVED

WHEN I  
WAS ABOUT  
TO KISS  
TAKUMA  
WHEN HE  
WAS THIN,

THAT HE'S  
GONE BACK TO  
HOW HE WAS  
BEFORE...



HIS  
PLUMP  
FACE  
POPPED IN  
MY HEAD,



OF COURSE  
THE HOT  
VERSION IS  
BETTER!!

HOW  
STUPID  
CAN I  
BE!?

THEY'RE  
THE SAME  
PERSON!



Since I  
haven't been  
to how  
I was  
before...

HAAA...

BUT,

BUT NOW  
WE'LL HAVE  
TO POSTPONE  
THAT KISS...



Pull

TAKUMA.





AH,

AH,

THAT FELT LIKE  
A RICE CAKE  
WAS PUSHED  
AGAINST MY  
FACE...

**YOU  
LOST  
WEIGHT  
!!**

**Are  
you  
kidding  
me!?**

HIS PANTS  
FELL DOWN.

NATURALLY,  
RIGHT AFTER  
THAT,

!



OMAKE

I WAS SHOCKED  
AT HOW BAD MY  
CONDITION WAS,  
AND I COULD FEEL  
ALL THE YEARS  
I'VE PUT ON!!!

WHILE I WAS WORKING  
ON THE DRAFT FOR THIS  
CHAPTER AND THE  
TITLE PAGE OF THE  
NEXT CHAPTER, I WAS  
TERRIBLY SICK FOR THE  
FIRST TIME IN YEARS.

but I  
don't want  
to catch  
another  
cold ever  
again! (I'm  
gonna do!)

I was kind  
of lucky  
that I lost  
some  
weight,

I can't  
stop  
coughing  
so my ribs  
hurt,

I can only eat  
ice cream, and  
not even that  
much of it,

COUGH  
COUGH

But I love  
Karma as  
a hunter!  
How bad!

Huh? I  
can't sit  
down.







MORINO TAKUMA SAN





AFTER  
TAKUMA  
LOST WEIGHT  
LAST TIME  
WHEN I  
KISSED HIM  
ON THE  
CHEEK.

HE WENT  
BACK TO HIS  
USUAL, PLUMP  
APPEARANCE  
THE NEXT  
DAY.



Smooch!



TO THINK  
HE'D SLIM  
DOWN JUST  
FROM A  
SINGLE KISS.

WELL, YOU  
WENT THROUGH  
ALL THAT  
TRouble TO  
GET HIM BACK  
TO HOW HE  
WAS BEFORE,  
AFTER ALL.



TPL.  
THANK  
GOOD-  
NESS.

YOU'RE GONNA ASK SOMETHING LIKE THAT IN A GAG MANGA LIKE THIS?

THIS ISN'T A GAG MANGA!

What kind of fairy tale is this? He transforms after nothing.

HOW DOES MORINO-KUN'S BODY WORK?

IT'S NOT A TYPICAL MANGA FOR GIRLS, EITHER...

WELL... UH...

HUH?

AHH, DOES HE CONSUME A LOT OF CALORIES WHEN HIS HEART RACES?

ISN'T IT JUST THAT

HE HAS A REALLY FAST METABOLISM?

AND SO HE EATS ENOUGH TO COMPENSATE FOR THAT, BUT SOMETIMES HIS HEART GOES OUT OF CONTROL...

A human power plant!!

WHY FOR A  
GIRL LIKE  
THIS...?

AREN'T YOU  
THINKING  
SOMETHING  
RUDE?

HEY...

BUT IT'S  
GOOD  
NEWS  
FOR YOU.

IF HE SLIMS  
DOWN WHENEVER  
YOU KISS HIM,  
THAT MEANS YOU  
CAN SEE A HOT  
GUY WHENEVER  
YOU WANT.

WELL...  
THAT'S PART  
OF IT.

IT'S BE-  
TTER IF HE  
CAUSES PRO-  
BLEMS.  
SO, SO  
SOMEONE  
CAN GET  
HIM TO

WHY NOT?  
BECAUSE  
IT'D CAUSE  
PROBLEMS  
FOR OTHERS  
AROUND HIM?

IT'S NOT  
GOOD AT  
ALL....

BUT WHEN  
I'M WITH  
THAT HOT  
TAKUMA,  
  
I FEEL  
REALLY  
GUILTY.



So I feel  
sorry for  
the poor  
Takuma."

I'M  
CHEATING  
ON HIM WITH  
SOMEONE  
ELSE...

IT'S  
ALMOST  
AS IF...

FOR  
WHAT?

HUH?

I  
KNOW  
!!!

EVEN  
THOUGH  
THEY'RE  
THE SAME  
GUY?

AND SO ISN'T  
IT UNFAIR  
WHENEVER  
I'M WITH  
THE SLIM  
TAKUMA?!

IT'S SO  
MEAN TO  
HIM!!

BUT THE ONE  
I STARTED  
GOING OUT  
WITH WAS  
THE PLUMP  
TAKUMA!

I'VE  
DECIDED

THINK  
SO?

YOU

THAT IF  
KISSING HIM  
CAUSES HIM  
TO LOSE  
WEIGHT,

I'M NOT  
GOING TO  
KISS HIM  
ANYMORE!!

AND SO...

UH, KARIN,  
WON'T YOU FEEL  
SORRY FOR  
MORINO-KUN  
IF YOU DID  
THAT....?

HUH?

I HAVE TO  
WORK A LOT  
HARDER SO  
THAT I'LL BE  
ATTRACTED TO  
THAT BODY  
TYPE!!!

I DON'T  
REALLY  
KNOW HOW,  
THOUGH...

THAT  
SOUNDS  
FUNNY  
...!!!

HUH?  
EVEN YOU,  
INOU...HUH?

LET ME  
JOIN IN  
ON THAT,  
TOO!

AH!

I'LL  
HELP  
YOU!

I'M IN!

YEAH,  
I'LL HELP  
YOU OUT.

ALL  
RIGHT...

# IT'S TIME FOR OPERATION CHUBBY LOVE!!!

YOU'RE  
GOING  
TO TAKE  
CONTROL?

BE-SIDES,

WHAT'S  
WITH THAT  
OPERATION  
NAME?

STOP  
IT.



THIS  
IS SO WE  
CAN HAVE  
A BRIGHT  
FUTURE  
TOGETHER!

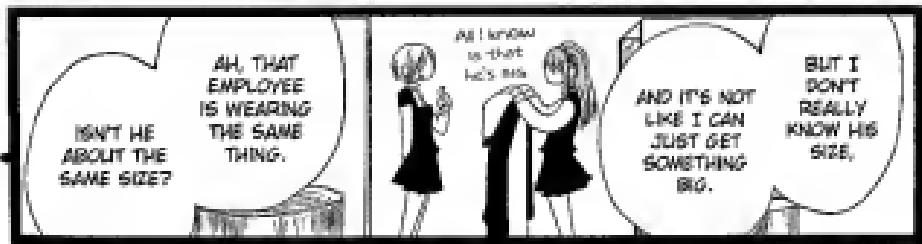
WHAT  
IS THIS  
PLACE...?

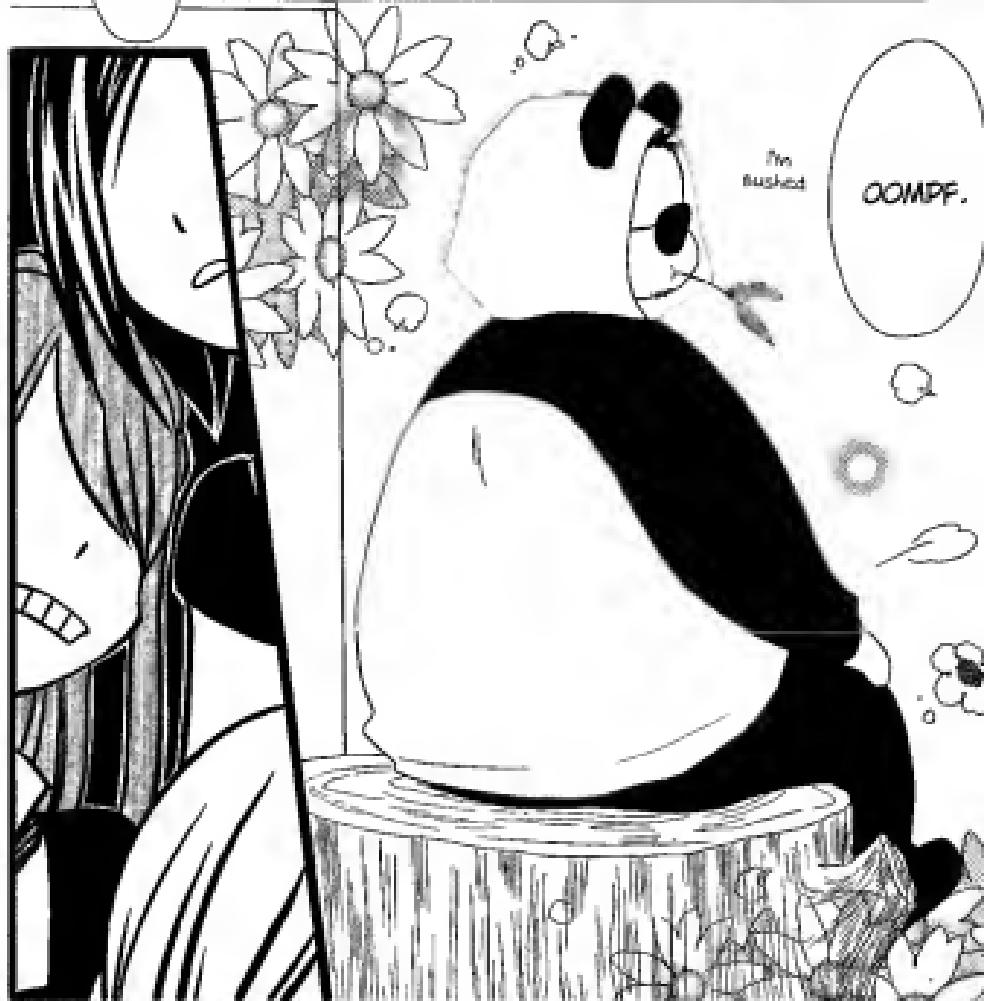
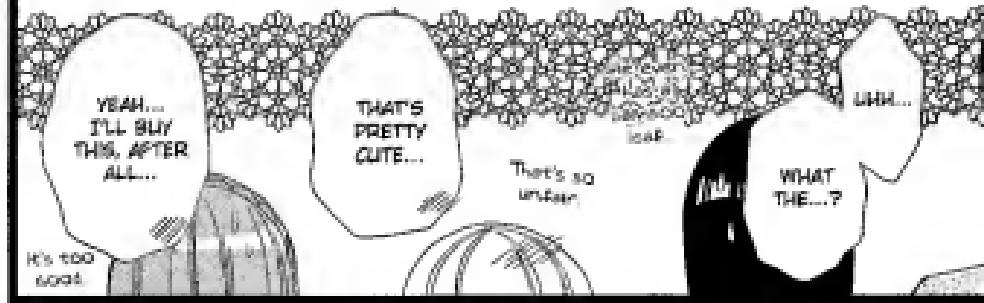
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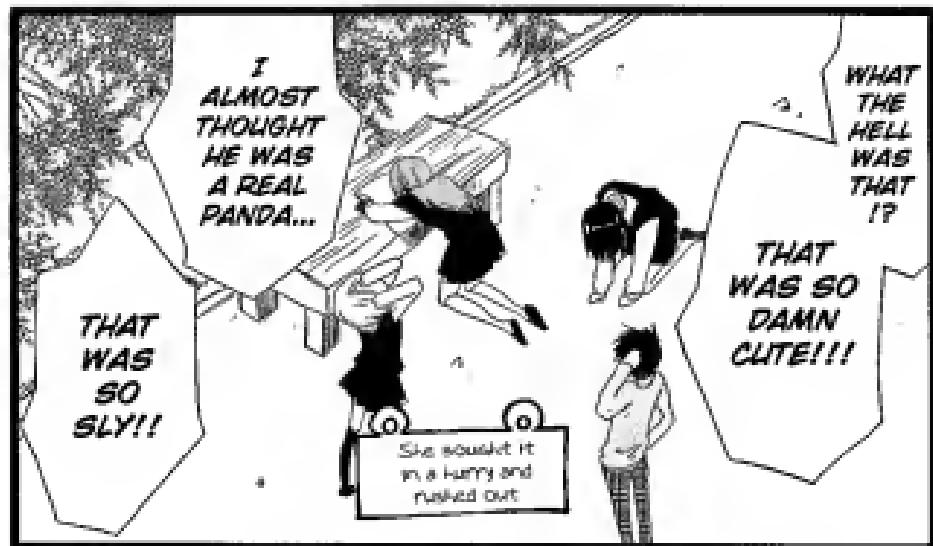
THERE  
HAVE BEEN  
MORE OF  
THESE  
SHOPS  
LATELY

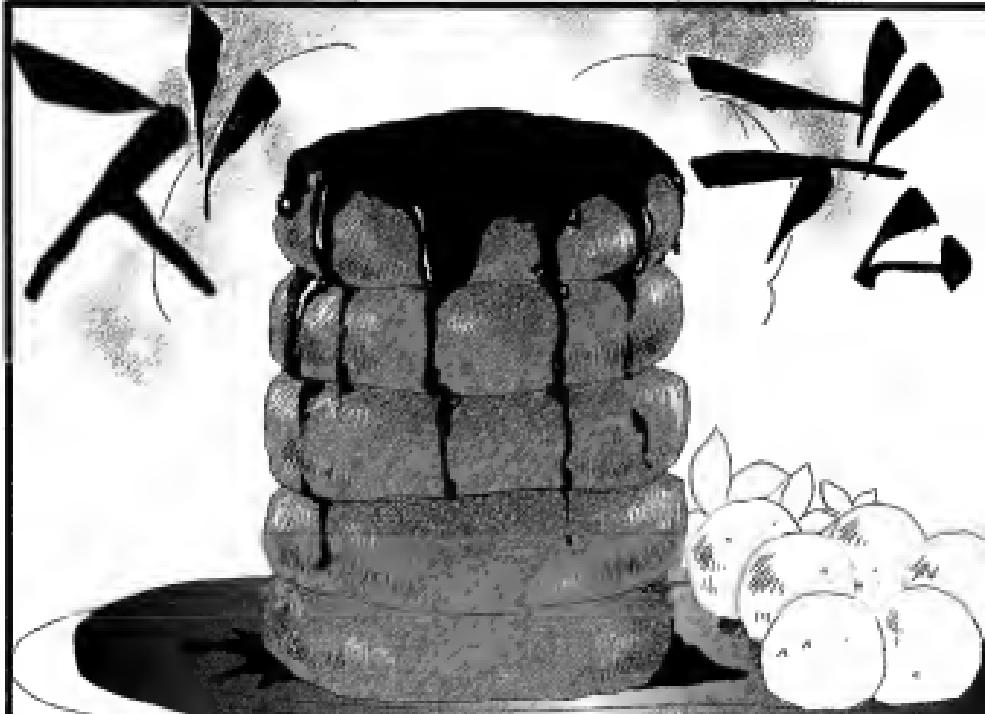
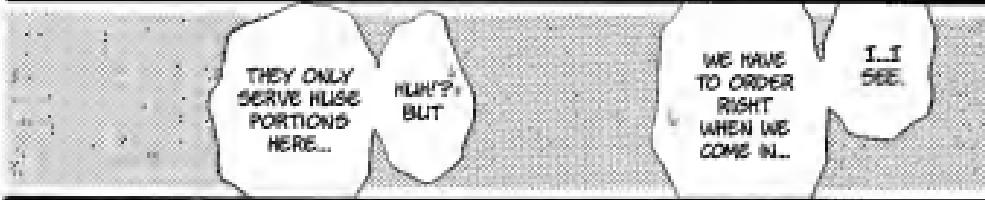
THAT CATER  
TO PLUS SIZE  
PEOPLE.

REALLY...











SORT OF...

I GUESS THAT WAS...

GUYS  
REALLY ARE  
RELIABLE.

YEAH.  
HE  
LOOKED  
LIKE A  
SAVIOR.

THAT WAS  
HONESTLY  
TOUCHING.

IT SEEMS LIKE  
I COULD GO  
FOR THAT,  
TOO.

YEAH.

THIS...  
MIGHT JUST  
WORK!!!

INOUÉ

KUN...

ALL  
RIGHT!

THEN I'LL  
TAKE YOU  
SOMEPLACE  
I SET ASIDE  
FOR THE  
CLINCHER.





THEY'RE  
HELPING KARIN  
GO THROUGH  
SOME TRAINING  
SO THAT  
SHE'LL BE  
ATTRACTED  
TO YOUR TYPE  
OF FIGURE.

I'M NOT  
WITH THEM  
TODAY,  
THOUGH.



HEY, THAT  
TRAINING WAS  
SUPPOSED TO  
BE SECRET, SO  
SHOULD YOU BE  
TELLING HIM  
THAT?



KARIN  
LOVES  
YOU,  
MORINO-KUN.

AH!



Crap! But  
they were  
making such  
a noise  
about it.



THIS IS A DEVILISH TRAIN AT THIS TIME OF DAY NICKNAMED "JAM-PACKED MEAT BUN HELL".

YEAH, RIGHT!

DON'T UNDERESTIMATE THE POTENTIAL OF HIGH SCHOOLERS COMING FROM CLUB ACTIVITIES!

IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT!

This overwhelming potential...

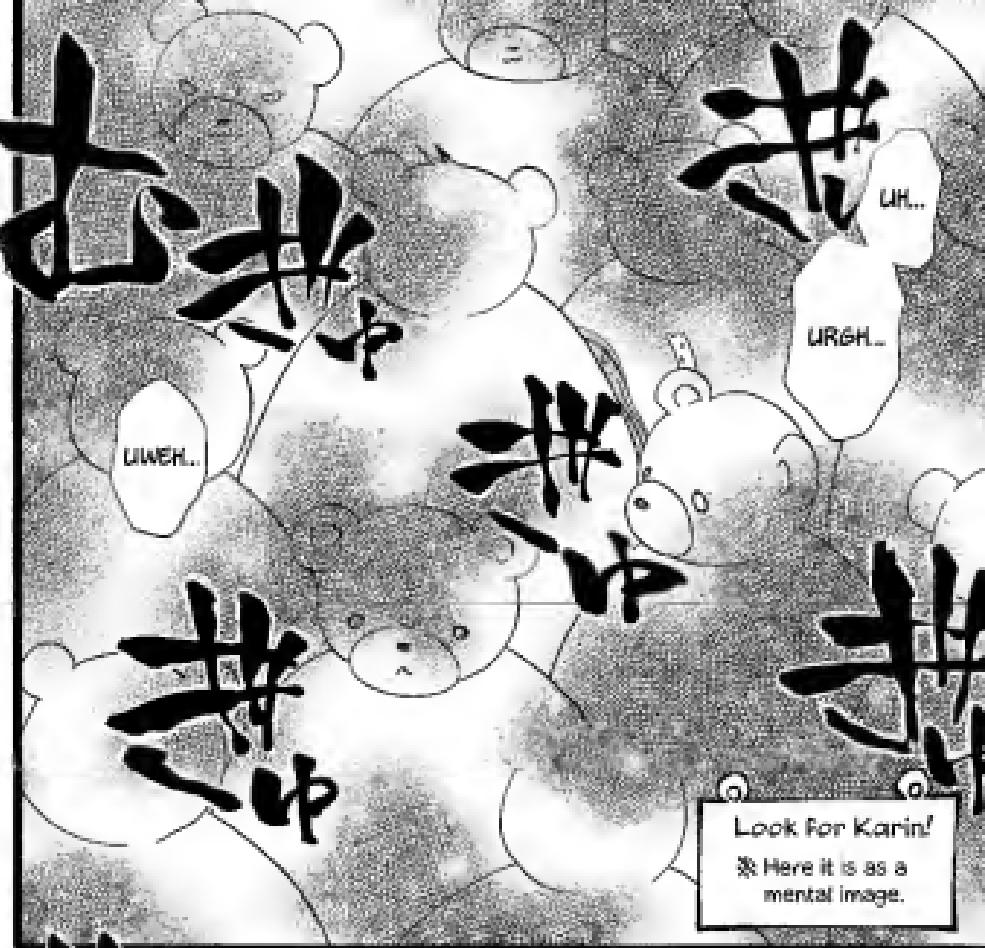
I'VE NEVER LOOKED AT SUMO WRESTLERS AS SPORTSMEN BEFORE.

IF THIS MAKES SAKUMA DISLIKE FATSOS ONCE AND FOR ALL, SHE SHOULD COME RIGHT TO ME!!

BUT AS I AM NOW, MY HEART MIGHT START RACING...!!

OH! IT'S HERE!

Here it  
is as a  
mental  
image.



Look For Karin!

♪ Here it is as a  
mental image.



HUH?

WAIT,

I MEAN, ALL  
I WANTED TO  
DO WAS BE  
ATTRACTED  
TO TAKUMA.

I MIGHT  
NOT BE  
ABLE TO  
DO IT.

THIS MIGHT  
BE TOO  
MUCH FOR  
ME, AFTER  
ALL.

WHY  
?

I GUESS  
I WASN'T  
INTO GUYS  
LIKE THAT,  
AFTER ALL.

I'M  
THE  
WORST!

IT'S  
HOPE-  
LESS.

I  
MIGHT  
NOT

BE ABLE  
TO FALL ANY  
FURTHER IN  
LOVE WITH  
TAKUMA,  
EITHER.

This can't  
ever ever  
stop

KARIN

AH!  
KARIN GOT  
SWEPT  
AWAY!



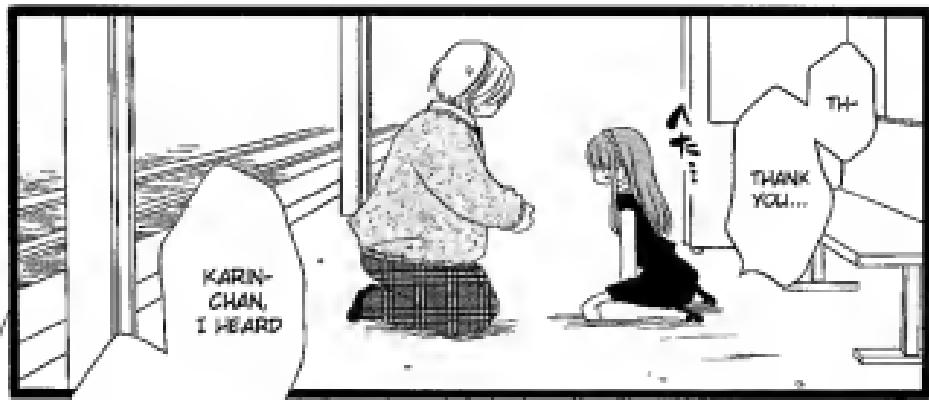
KARIN-  
CHAN!

ARE  
YOU  
OKAY?

TAKUMA.

HUH? BUT  
WHY IS HE  
HERE..?

MORINO-KUN  
SAVED HER..



WHAT  
YOU'VE  
BEEN  
DOING...



I'M INTO  
SMOOTH, TALL  
GUYS THAT  
LOOK AND ACT  
STYLISHLY.

SO I  
THOUGHT  
I HAD  
TO WORK  
HARD AT  
IT...

I WANT  
TO BE  
ATTRACTED  
TO HOW YOU  
ARE NOW,

THAT I'M  
JUST A  
TYPICAL GIRL  
THAT'S INTO  
HOT GUYS,  
AFTER ALL.

I  
REALIZE  
NOW

AND  
YET...

THANKS,  
KARIN-  
CHAN.

THAT  
MAKES ME  
REALLY  
HAPPY...

I  
SEE...

BUT

I'M THE ONE  
I WANT YOU  
TO FALL IN  
LOVE WITH!

NO ONE  
ELSE

BUT ME!



DON'T FALL  
IN LOVE  
WITH ME  
BECAUSE OF  
SOMEONE  
ELSE!

IN  
SPITE  
OF  
THAT...





The only  
problem is  
that pandas  
don't sit on  
stumps



OMAKE



10  
CHOCOPIE  
THE BITE



MORINO TAKUMA SAN



**YEAH, ALL  
OF THAT!  
I'M SO  
SORRY!!!**

YOUR PERSONALITY?

YOUR HEAD?

YOUR EXPRESSION?

TELL US  
WHAT'S GOING ON.

SORRY,  
OUR BAD.

Ugh! Ugh!

Ugh!

Ugh!

EVER SINCE YESTERDAY,  
MY HEART FEELS SO TIGHT  
WHENEVER I THINK ABOUT TAKUMA...

WHENEVER I THINK ABOUT THAT EXPRESSION HE HAD,

"DON'T FALL IN LOVE WITH ME BECAUSE OF SOMEONE ELSE!"

MY HEART STARTS POUNDING IN MY CHEST.

In fact, I think of the hot version as a different guy

HE'S JUST THE WAY HE IS.

NOT AT ALL.

NO,

A... ARENT YOU JUST CHANGING HIM INTO A HOT GUY IN YOUR HEAD?

I MIGHT HAVE SOME KIND OF ILLNESS...

FOR ME TO BE INTO A GUY LIKE THIS WHEN I'VE ALWAYS LOVED HOT GUYS!?

ISN'T IT ODD





NO,

AHHH...

WHAT IS  
THIS?





I  
LOVE  
HIM...

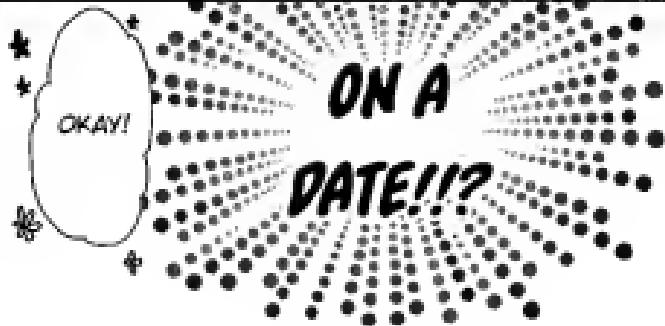
WITH  
TAKUMA.

I WAS  
ABLE TO  
FALL IN  
LOVE

I SEE.



I'M SO HAPPY!



THIS IS OUR  
FIRST DATE NOW  
THAT WE BOTH  
FEEL THE SAME  
WAY ABOUT  
EACH OTHER!

OHHH!  
WAY TO  
GO!

ALL  
RIGHT

A.  
AND  
KISS!

WELL  
HOLD  
HANDS,  
HUG,

FROM  
NOW  
ON,

FOR SOME REASON,  
EVEN THOUGH SHE'S  
BRAGGING, IT'S NOT  
ANNOYING AT ALL.  
HOW ODD.

Oh  
my  
gosh!

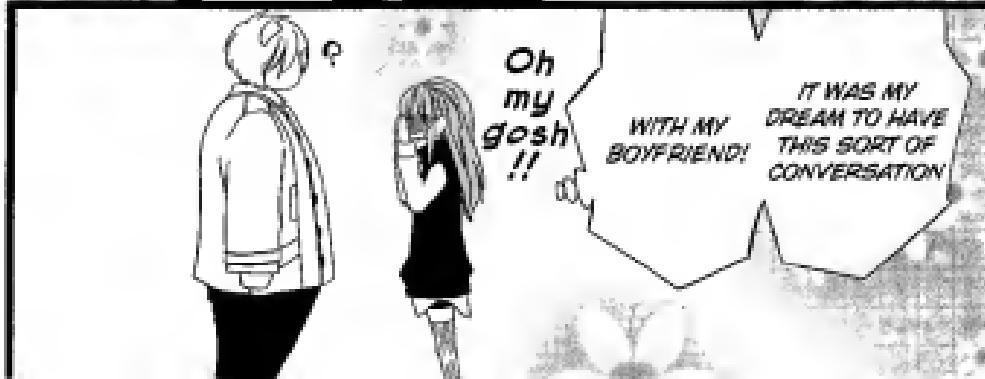
WE'RE GONNA DO  
TONS OF THAT  
SORT OF STUFF  
COUPLES DO!!  
♥♥♥♥

KARIN-  
CHAN.

I'M SO  
HAPPY!

SORRY.

DID I  
MAKE YOU  
WAIT?



EVERYTHING  
I THOUGHT I  
DISLIKED UP  
TO NOW

LOVE IS SO  
MYSTERIOUS.

ALL SEEM  
CHARMING  
TO ME.

I  
THOUGHT  
IT WAS  
IMPOSSIBLE.

BUT  
DOESN'T HE  
LOOK LIKE A  
CLUE TEDDY  
BEAR?

SHE'S  
A  
MASO-  
CHIST.

What's  
going  
on?  
Am I a  
maso-  
chist?

AND WHEN  
HE GOT MAD,  
HE LOOKED  
SO COOL...

I WAS THINKING  
ABOUT BUYING  
SOMETHING  
WARM AND  
TAKING A WALK  
IN THE PARK.

WELL,  
SINCE  
THE FALL  
LEAVES  
LOOK SO  
PRETTY,

WHERE  
ARE WE  
GOING  
TODAY?

SERIOUSLY!?  
THAT SOUNDS  
SO MUCH LIKE  
A DATE! ❤️❤️❤️

OKAY!!

THIS  
IS SO  
WARM! ❤️

AHHH...

AH,  
THEN LET'S  
SWITCH  
TO EACH  
TRY A SIP.

WANNA  
TRY IT?

WHAT DID  
YOU GET,  
TAKUMA?

A HONEY  
CREAM  
COCOA  
CHESTNUT  
CINNAMON  
LATTE.

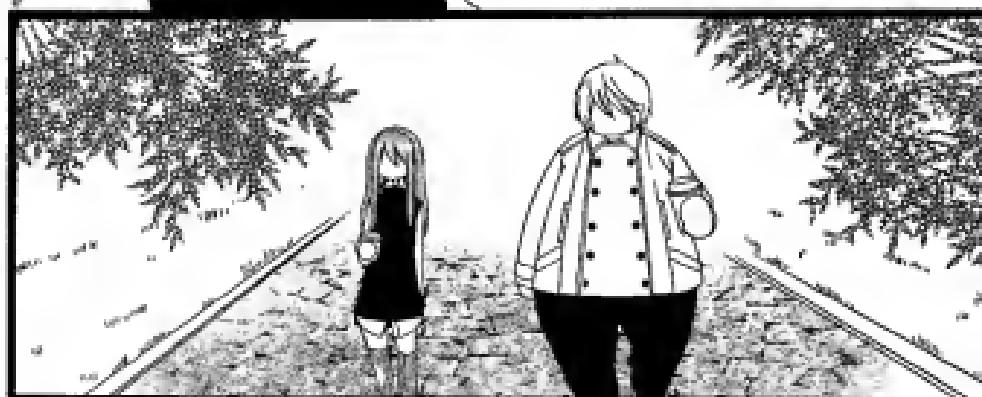
WOW!  
THAT  
SOUNDS  
SO SWEET!

I've  
never  
seen  
a cup  
this big  
before...! ❤️

AN  
INDIRECT  
KISS! ❤️

SERIOUSLY!?  
THIS IS TOTALLY  
WHAT COUPLES  
DO!!!











I'M SURE  
HE'D SMELL  
NICE! AND I  
KNOW HE'D BE  
SO SOFT!

WAIT, AM I  
SOME GUY IN  
THE MIDDLE OF  
PUBERTY!?

I WANT  
TO HOLD  
HIM!

I WANT  
TO HUG  
HIM!

LOOK  
OUT...

AH!

WE  
CAN'T  
DO  
THAT!



WE  
CAN'T  
DO  
THIS!

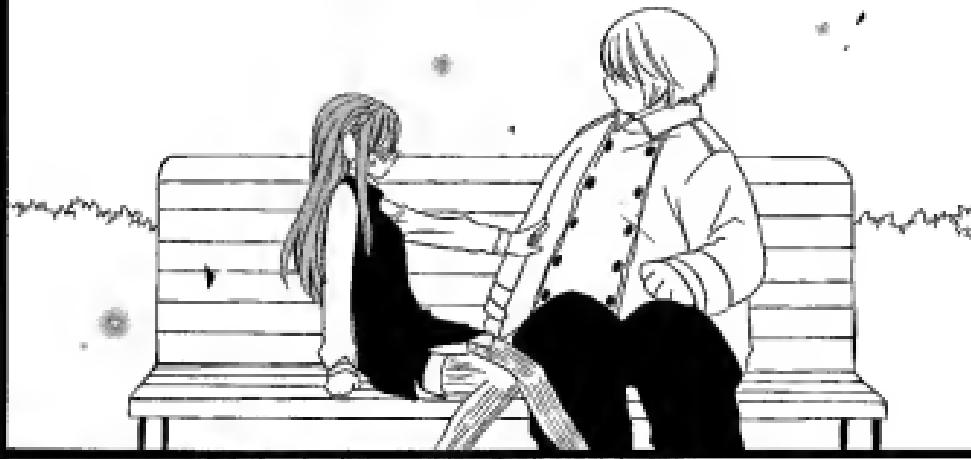


S...



STOP  
....!!





AH...



I  
GUESS  
THAT NO  
MATTER HOW  
HARD I WORK  
AT IT, I CAN'T  
GET YOU TO  
FALL IN LOVE  
WITH ME,  
KARIN-CHAN.



HUH...?

I WANTED TO WORK HARD AT IT TODAY BECAUSE I THOUGHT THAT I HAVEN'T GOTTEN YOU TO FALL FOR ME AT ALL YET,

IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN JUST TELL ME.

AH...

NO,  
THAT'S  
NOT IT.

BUT  
YOU'VE  
BEEN  
AVOIDING  
ME A LOT.

AND IT'S  
NOT LIKE I  
WANT TO MAKE  
YOU FORCE  
YOURSELF...

I WAS  
AVOIDING  
YOU

WAIT,  
TAKUMA!  
THAT'S  
NOT IT.

I...

IT'S  
NOT  
LIKE  
THAT.  
I...

I  
STILL

YEAH,

HAVEN'T  
TOLD  
TAKUMA  
HOW I  
FEEL.

BECAUSE  
I LOVE  
YOU...!

BUT IF I DO  
THAT, YOU MIGHT  
LOSE WEIGHT  
LIKE WHEN I  
KISSED YOU.

I MEAN, I WANT  
TO TOUCH YOU  
AND GET CLOSE  
TO YOU.

HUH...?



EVEN THOUGH  
I'VE FINALLY  
FALLEN IN  
LOVE WITH  
HOW YOU  
ARE NOW.



KARIN-CHAN.

THAT  
MAKES ME  
REALLY,  
REALLY  
HAPPY.



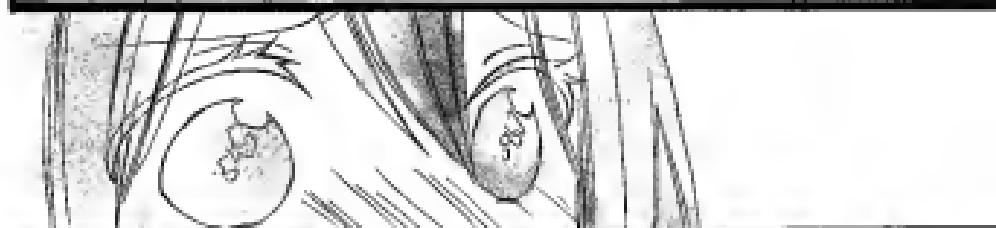
AND I  
WANT TO  
HUG YOU,

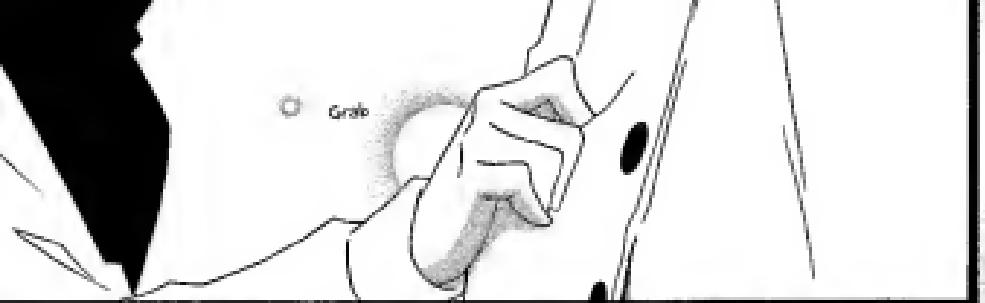


I DIDN'T  
WANT  
THAT TO  
HAPPEN...



BUT IS  
THAT ALL  
RIGHT?



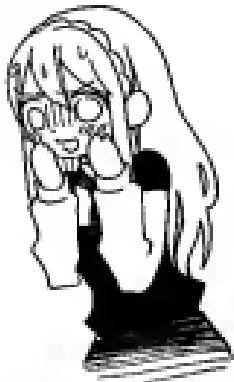


but I didn't  
dislike it  
when he  
was being a  
little pushy.

No way  
I thought  
I liked kind  
gentlemen.

### EXPLAINING KARIN-SAN'S MASOCHISM

OMAKE

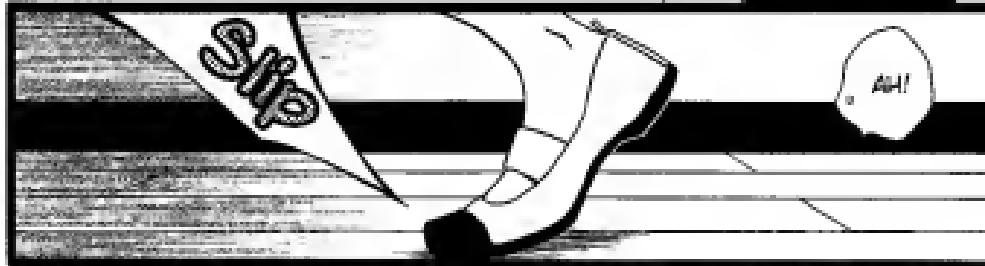




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Champi

TH BITE



MORIN TAKUMA JAN



ARE  
FINALLY

TRULY IN  
LOVE WITH  
EACH OTHER.









HE'S SO  
ADORABLE  
!!

WHAT'S  
THE  
MATTER,  
KARIN-  
CHAN?

H H H H G !

HE'S SO  
CUTE!!  
WHAT IS  
THIS?!

NO  
MATTER  
WHAT  
TAKUMA  
DOES,

I LOOKED UP  
SOME CUTE  
PLACES.

HEY, LET'S  
STOP BY  
ANOTHER  
PLACE  
TODAY.

HE'S SO  
CUTE!

HE'S  
JUST SO  
CUTE.

HE'S SO  
KEWT!

CUTE!

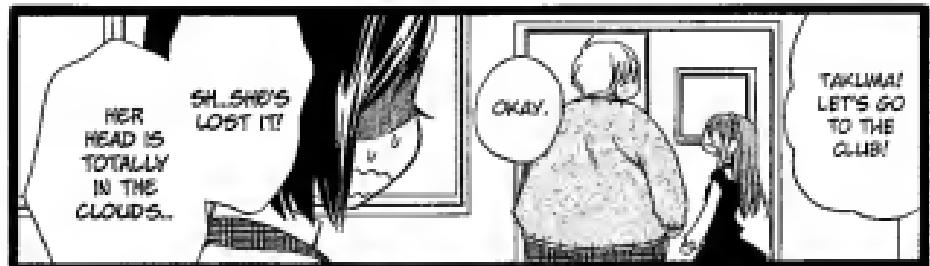


Haaaaa!

HE'S  
SO



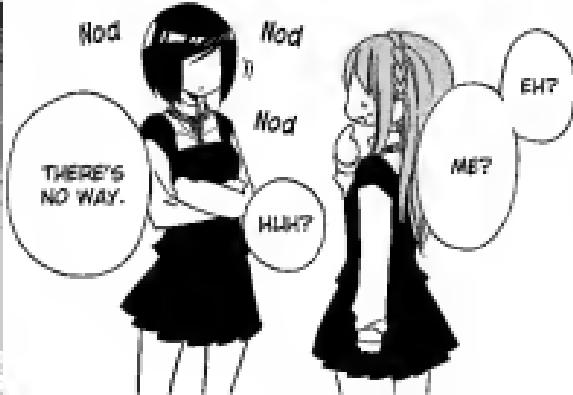








YOU'RE IN  
A PRETTY  
DICEY  
SITUATION,  
TOO!!





AND WHAT'S  
SO BAD  
ABOUT BEING  
PLUMP IN  
THE FIRST  
PLACE...?

I CAN STILL  
PUT ON  
ALL OF MY  
CLOTHES,

BUT COULDN'T  
IT JUST BE OFF  
BY 5 KILOS?

TH...  
THIS

AT THAT POINT,  
THEY'D HAVE TO  
SELL THEM AS THE  
HEAVIEST COUPLE  
IN THE GIRL'S  
MANGA WORLD...

WHAT ARE WE  
GONNA DO IF  
KARIN SAYS,  
"WHAT'S WRONG  
WITH BEING  
FAT!!?"

WHAT KIND  
OF MANGA  
WOULD  
THAT BE?

IS  
**BAD**  
!!!

**I'M  
GOING  
ON A  
DIET!!**

!!?



YOU TOO,  
TAKUMA!  
I'M  
SORRY,

AT LEAST  
UNTIL WE  
GET BACK  
TO HOW  
WE WERE  
BEFORE!

BUT  
LET'S GO  
ON A DIET  
TOGETHER!

GO-  
ING!  
I'M  
SORRY!

I'M  
NOT

HUH? BUT  
YOU WANTED  
TO GO TO THAT  
NEW CHINESE  
RESTAURANT...

THANKS,  
TAKUMA...

THE  
THING  
IS...

!

I...I LOVE YOU  
NO MATTER  
WHAT YOU  
LOOK LIKE,  
KARIN-CHAN...



AND  
SO...

Shapely

SHE  
REALLY  
WORKED  
HARD  
AT IT.

SHE  
DID THAT  
IN ONE  
WEEK?

OH...  
SHE'S  
BACK TO  
NORMAL.

THAT'S JUST  
WHAT I'D  
EXPECT FROM  
A GIRL WHO  
PRIORITIES  
LOOKS...

ALL THE CUTE  
THINGS I'VE  
COLLECTED UP  
TO NOW NOT TO  
LOOK GOOD ON  
ME ANYMORE...

I DON'T  
WANT...

**THERE ARE  
LIMITS TO  
EVERY-  
THING.**

THAT'S  
WHAT  
I TOLD  
YOU!

ANYWAY

MORINO-KUN  
ALSO WENT BACK  
TO HOW HE WAS  
BEFORE, BUT  
HOW DID THAT  
HAPPEN?

Shape...ly?

He looks  
a lot  
slimmer  
now.

WHA-  
AAAT  
!?

I KISSED  
HIM ON THE  
CHEEK.

MY HEART  
RACING  
WOULDN'T  
GET ME  
ANYWHERE!!!

WHAT  
HAPPENED TO  
YOUR HEART  
RACING LIKE  
LAST TIME!?

WHY ARE  
SO NON-  
CHALANT  
ALL OF A  
SUDDEN?

HUH?

SUH...  
YOU'RE SO  
ANNOYING,  
TAKUMA...

I'M SORRY.  
DID I DO  
SOMETHING.?

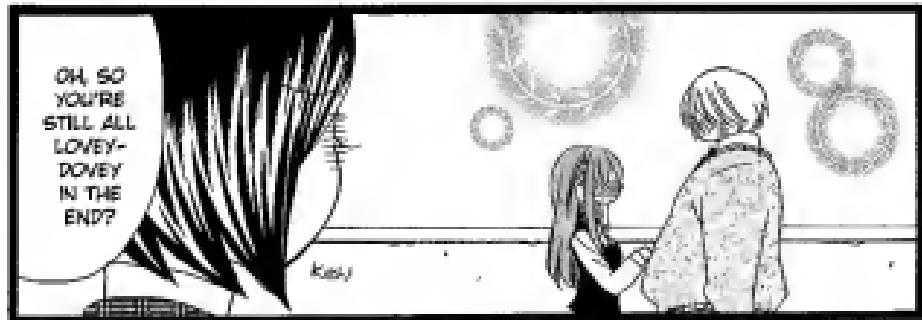
I THOUGHT YOU  
WERE GOING TO  
BUY THAT YOU  
COULDN'T GO  
OUT WITH ME,  
AFTER ALL.

I'M GLAD...

Uwaaa! \*  
I'm so  
jealous!

I WANNA  
LOSE WEIGHT  
JUST FROM  
GETTING  
KISSED,  
TOO!!!

It  
seems  
to have  
been  
rough  
for her





AHH,  
ARE YOU  
KARIN-  
CHAN?

IT'S NICE  
TO MEET  
YOU.



THE PLUMP  
KARIN IS TOO  
EASY FOR ME  
TO DRAW.

YOUR  
INNER SELF IS  
DIFFERENT  
FROM HOW  
OTHERS  
SEE YOU,  
ISN'T IT? ☆



OHAKA

EXTRA



I  
LIKE  
HOT  
GUYS

AND  
ANYTHING  
CUTE.

AT ANY  
RATE, I LOVE  
ANYTHING  
THAT LOOKS  
GOOD!!

ISN'T  
EVERYONE  
LIKE THAT?

IT'S  
JUST SO  
CUTE!!

UWAAAA!  
I CAN'T  
BRING  
MYSELF TO  
USE THIS  
ERASER!

My  
notebook's  
so dirty!

OF COURSE  
I'D GO FOR  
THINGS  
THAT LOOK  
NICE TO  
BEGIN  
WITH!!

I WOULDN'T  
EVEN PICK UP  
SOMETHING  
IF NOT FOR  
THAT!!

BUT!!

YOU'RE  
ALWAYS BEING  
TAKEN IN BY  
HOW THINGS  
LOOK, KARIN!

EVEN SO, YOU  
SHOULD CHOOSE  
EVERYDAY ITEMS  
BASED ON  
THEIR QUALITY.

YOU'  
RE  
NOT  
ONLY  
ABOUT  
YOUR BOYFRIEND

"WHAT'S  
IMPORTANT IS  
WHAT'S ON  
THE INSIDE"  
ARE JUST  
PRETTY  
WORDS!!!

THAT'S  
RIGHT.

NO MATTER  
WHAT YOU SAY,  
YOU WERE  
SHREWISH ENOUGH  
TO CHOOSE A  
BOYFRIEND BASED  
ON SOMETHING  
OTHER THAN HOW  
HE LOOKS.

WELL...

M?



KARIN-  
CHAN!



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MY  
FIRST  
BOY-  
FRIEND

HAS A  
SOMETHING  
PARTICULAR  
BODY TYPE.

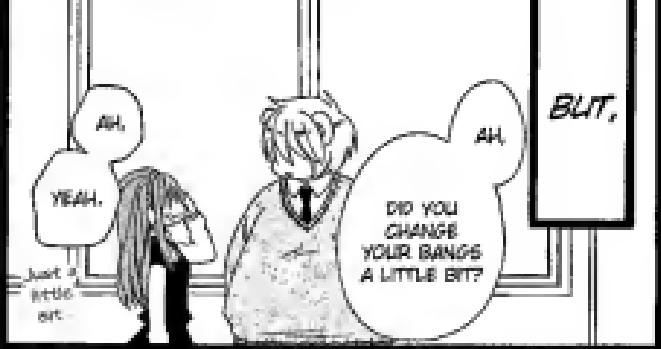


SMIRK

WHAT WAS  
THAT ABOUT  
PRETTY  
WORDST?

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
SAYING?  
I'M GONNA  
HIT YOU!

TO PUT IT  
ANOTHER WAY,  
THIS MEANS MY  
HEART IS REALLY  
PRETTY, RIGHT?



NEEDLESS TO SAY,



IT'S NOT LIKE  
I CAN ONLY  
FALL IN LOVE  
WITH GUYS  
WITH THIS  
BODY TYPE,

OR THAT I  
SEE THIS  
BODY TYPE  
AS THE  
HOTTEST IN  
THE WORLD,

I  
WANT  
TO  
SPEND

MORE  
TIME  
WITH  
HIM...

LIFE IS SO  
UNPREDICT-  
ABLE.

THANKS.

SO I  
GUESS WE  
CAN TAKE  
OUR TIME  
BEING  
TOGETHER...

BUT  
TAKUMA SAID  
WHATEVER  
HAPPENS,  
HAPPENS.

IT'S NOT  
LIKE I'VE  
GOTTEN  
USED TO  
THIS BODY  
TYPE,

A BEST  
COUPLE  
CONTEST?

HUH?



HUH?  
WHY...?



ENTER IT WITH  
TAKUMA-KUN!

YEAH!! IT'S  
GONNA BE A  
BIG EVENT  
HELD IN  
TOWN!!

IT'S PRETTY  
HARD TO GET  
AHOld OF  
THIS RICE!!

AND GET THIS!  
THE GRAND  
PRIZE IS THE  
MYTHICAL RICE  
"KUMANO  
OMOCHI"!!

Tsukinowa Times

MAKE  
SURE YOU  
GET IT!!

WH...

ARE  
YOU  
GOING  
TO DO IT?

WOW...

A BEST  
COUPLE  
CONTEST

MEANS HOT  
COUPLES  
ARE GOING  
TO TAKE  
PART IN IT!

NO WAY!  
I MEAN,  
A BEST  
COUPLE  
CONTEST

W  
H  
A  
A  
A  
A  
A  
A  
T  
!!?

**THAT'S  
HOW IT  
WOULD  
END  
UP!!!!**

They're  
killing  
me!

BESIDES,  
THAT  
GIRL ISN'T  
ANYTHING  
SPECIAL  
RATHER!  
HAHA!

THEY  
DON'T  
HAVE A  
CHANCE.

WHAT'S  
THAT?  
HE'S SO  
ROUND!

**HEH HEH HEH!**

YOU'RE  
JUST  
ENJOYING  
THIS!

WHAT'S  
THE BIG  
DEAL?

**WAAAII  
THERE'S  
NO WAY I  
CAN DO  
THAT!!**

OH!  
SPEAK OF THE DEVIL.

KARIN-  
CHAN!

YOU'RE  
NO FUN...

THERE  
WON'T BE ANY  
PROBLEMS AS  
LONG AS TAKIMA  
DOESN'T FIND  
OUT ABOUT IT.

I'M  
NOT  
GONNA  
TELL  
HIM.

EHHT?  
THEN WHAT  
ARE YOU  
GONNA  
DO?

LET'S  
TAKE  
PART  
IN IT!!

THERE'S  
GONNA BE  
A BEST  
COUPLE  
CONTEST!!

!!?

LOOK AT  
THIS!!

HOW DO  
YOU KNOW  
THAT?

TA-  
TAKUMA,

HUH?

WE  
HAVE  
TO TAKE  
PART  
IN IT!!

IF WE WIN,  
WE GET  
SOME REALLY  
DELICIOUS  
MYTHICAL  
RICE!

Ri

ce



WELL, I DON'T  
REALLY HAVE  
THAT MUCH  
CONFIDENCE  
IN MYSELF  
TO TAKE  
PART IN IT.

BUT

AH!  
WHAT'S  
WITH THAT  
FOOD  
ANTENNA!?



YOU'RE  
THE CUTEST  
GIRL IN  
THE WORLD,  
KARIN-CHAN!



|||||

be Taitinoue  
Best Couple Contest

I AGREED  
TO DO IT  
WITHOUT  
THINKING.

AM I AN  
IDIOT!?

AND THERE  
ARE ONLY  
GOOD-LOOKING  
COUPLES HERE!

AH...

THIS  
GIRL...

AH!



AS THE GOLD  
DIGGING  
HUNTER SHE  
IS, TAMAYO  
TAMANO...

AS SOON AS  
SHE FOUND OUT  
TAKIMA'S FAMILY  
OWNS THE FAMOUS  
SWEETS COMPANY  
MORINO, SHE  
WENT RIGHT  
AFTER HIM

A.K.A.  
TAMA  
THE GOLD  
DIGGER!!

AND HE'S  
HOT...

SH... SHE  
ALREADY  
FOUND HER  
NEXT GOLD  
MINE...

HUH?  
ARE YOU  
HERE FOR  
THE RICE TOO,  
NEE-SAN...?

WHO  
ARE YOU  
CALLING  
NEE-  
SAN!?

WOW...  
...TAMAYO-  
NEE-SAN...!

AH!

BECAUSE YOU  
HAVE SOME  
HUNGRY  
SIBLINGS...!?

YEAH,  
RIGHT!

Sis! We're  
hungry!

ARE YOU  
LOOKING  
FOR A  
GOLD MINE

HUH? SHE'S  
GOING TO SAY  
THAT RIGHT IN  
FRONT OF  
HIM?

I'M HERE TO  
CONFIRM ALL  
THE GOOD  
POINTS OF THE  
GUY I LANDED

FROM AN  
OBJECTIVE  
POINT OF  
VIEW.

AHH, HE'S HOT  
WHEN HE LOSES  
WEIGHT, RIGHT?  
SO YOU WENT  
AFTER HIM FOR  
HIS LOOKS?

IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
THAT,  
EITHER...

IT'S  
NOT  
LIKE  
THAT!

I GOTTA HAND IT  
TO YOU TO HAVE  
THE GLUTS TO  
LAND A RICH GUY  
REGARDLESS OF  
HOW HE LOOKS.

YOU TWO  
HAVEN'T  
MADE ANY  
PROGRESS  
YET,  
RIGHT?

I  
ALWAYS  
WANT  
TO KEEP  
IMPROVING.

IT'D BE SO  
ANNOYING IF  
THE GUY I LET  
SLIP AWAY WAS  
BETTER THAN  
THE GUY I  
HAVE NOW.

HMM...  
BUT THIS  
MIGHT BE  
A GOOD  
OPPORTUNITY!  
★

THAT THE  
GUY I HAVE  
NOW IS  
BETTER THAN  
YOURS!!!

SO I'M  
GOING TO USE  
THIS CONTEST  
TO PROVE  
TO YOU

WHAAAAT  
!?

He seems... she's so  
pretty... no... well-off

Entry  
Posters

He's so  
cool!

He's  
so  
hot!

THERE'S  
ALREADY  
A PRETTY  
BIG GAP  
BETWEEN  
THEM...

WOW...  
WHY DOES  
SHE HAVE TO  
GO OUT OF  
HER WAY TO  
DO THAT...?



PLEASE  
CARRY YOUR  
GIRLFRIEND!!

JUST LIKE IN  
NORTHERN  
EUROPE WHERE  
THEY DO WIFE-  
CARRYING,

ALL RIGHT!! IT'S  
TIME FOR THE  
FIRST ROUND OF  
TSURINOWA'S  
BEST COUPLE  
CONTEST!!

PFFT!

UWEH...

GET SET...

SO I'M SURE  
HE'LL WIN BY  
A MILE...

BUT TAKUMA  
IS ACTUALLY  
REALLY  
ATHLETIC.

ON YOUR  
MARKS...





I...I  
HOPE I CAN  
AT LEAST  
MAKE THEM  
DELICIOUS...

Roll

Roll

H...Huh?  
EVEN IF  
WE WIN THIS  
ONE, I MIGHT  
NOT BE  
THAT HAPPY  
ABOUT IT!

START  
!!

ARE WE GONNA  
GET TO SEE HIM  
VORACIOUSLY  
BINGE EATING?

THE TIME  
LIMIT IS  
HALF AN  
HOUR!!

OKAY, ALL  
OF THE RICE  
BALLS FILLED  
WITH EACH  
GIRLFRIEND'S  
LOVE ARE  
DONE!!

THANK  
YOU  
FOR  
THIS  
MEAL.

Nibble

Nibble







THEN  
TAKUMA'S  
EATING  
THOSE...



PLEASE WRITE  
DOWN WHAT  
YOU LIKE  
ABOUT EACH  
OTHER!!

THE LAST  
ROUND IS  
A WRITTEN  
QUESTION!!!



OH!! THE NEXT  
THING YOU KNOW,  
MORINO-KUN  
... FINISHED  
EVERYTHING!!

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When  
did that  
happen?



WE'RE  
TIED  
AT ONE  
APECE.

SO LET'S  
SETTLE IT  
WITH THIS.



ALL  
RIGHTS

**BRAG AS  
MUCH AS  
YOU WANT!**

TAKUMA.



WHAT  
I LIKE

ABOUT  
TAKUMA.

NOW IT'S TIME  
TO REVEAL  
THEM!!

ALL RIGHT!  
TIME'S UP!!



OHHHHH!

IF YOU  
PLEASE!

ALL RIGHT!  
NEXT UP IS  
MORINO-  
KUN!

- She's cute
- She's kind
- She has a sense of justice
- She is a hard worker
- She smells nice
- Her face is also cute
- Her face is very beautiful
- She can give a mean come-uppance when she comes back
- Her smile is beautiful

INCREDIBLY! HIS  
GIRLFRIEND ONLY  
NEEDS TO HAVE  
WRITTEN DOWN  
ONE THING FOR  
THEM TO WIN!!

ONE,  
TWO...

I RAN  
OUT OF  
ROOM...

HE'S  
WRITTEN  
DOWN SO  
MUCH!!

ALL RIGHT..  
NOW FOR HIS  
GIRLFRIEND  
TO SHOW US  
WHAT SHE  
WROTE!!

ARE YOU  
KIDDING  
ME?

Ungh...



THERE ARE PROBABLY TONS OF THINGS I COULD SAY,

BUT...



I DON'T WANT TO SAY IT.



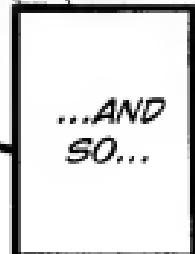
I DON'T  
WANT  
TO TELL  
ANYONE



WHAT  
TAKUMA'S  
GOOD  
POINTS ARE.

That's  
a great  
answer!  
But rules are  
rules, so...

Waaaaah!  
Whoooooh!



...AND  
SO...



IN THE END, WE LOST.



BUT TAKUMA WANTED THAT RICE...

I FEEL KIND OF GUILTY FOR THAT.





NO-  
MORN-  
ING...

UHH...

WHAT  
HAPP-  
ENED  
!?

WH-

IT'S  
UNUSUAL  
FOR HIM TO  
LOSE HIS  
APPETITE...

ALTHOUGH  
HE GETS  
LIKE THIS  
BY JUST  
MISSING  
A SINGLE  
MEAL,

IT'S  
REALLY  
EASY FOR  
TAKUMA  
TO LOSE  
WEIGHT.

HUH!?

I'm so  
sorry!

W...Was  
it the  
rice!?

Is this  
from the  
chock of  
missing out  
on that  
rice...?

IT'S NOT  
LIKE THAT...

N-NO!



I WAS  
SO HAPPY  
ABOUT WHAT  
YOU SAID  
YESTERDAY

THAT I  
COULDN'T EAT  
ANYTHING...

AS MUCH  
AS THIS.

THERE ISN'T  
ANYONE ELSE  
WHO LOVES ME

HE DOESN'T  
HAVE TO BE  
EVERYONE'S  
BEST CHOICE.

HE'S  
MY BEST  
CHOICE  
RIGHT  
NOW.

IF  
NOTHING  
ELSE,



Even  
though  
I won,  
that's kind  
of pushing  
me off.

THE  
NEXT  
DAY



I found this  
tasty bakery  
yesterday!

By the  
way.

It's a  
tough  
world.

ONLY  
LASTS  
FOR ONE  
DAY...

SO THAT  
EXCITEMENT  
THAT TAKES  
AWAY HIS  
APPETITE

THE TRUTH HAS  
FINALLY COME  
TO LIGHT THAT  
KARIN-SAN IS  
A TERRIBLE  
COOK!!

THIS IS  
AN EXTRA  
CHAPTER  
PUBLISHED  
IN THE  
MARGARET!



# AFTERWORD

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR PICKING UP TAKUMA-SAN VOLUME 2.



IT'S BEEN A WHILE, EVERYONE. OR PERHAPS I SHOULD SAY IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.

I OFFER MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO EVERYONE IN THE AFFECTED AREA.

JUST BEFORE I WROTE THIS AFTERWORD, THE KUMAMOTO EARTHQUAKES OCCURRED.

AFTER THAT, I WAS GOING ALL OVER THE PLACE TRYING TO SECURE AN ESCAPE ROUTE, SAVING UP WATER IN THE TUB, AND PUTTING TOGETHER STUFF TO TAKE REFUGE.

AND SO FOR THE TIME BEING, I OPENED THE DOORS AND WINDOWS.

AT THE TIME, I WAS WORKING ALONE IN MY WORK ROOM.



AH! But it's still shaken.

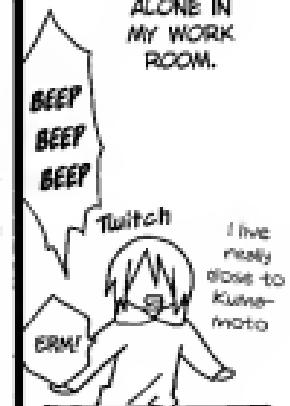
BUT THAT'S ANOTHER STORY...★

I don't want to think about it



The only thing that could fall on my head was the apartment itself, after all

IT'S IMPORTANT TO PRACTICE FOR IT FROM A YOUNG AGE... I'M SO GRATEFUL THAT I WAS PREPARED FOR THE WARNING ALERT.



I live really close to Kumamoto

MY PHONE'S WARNING ALERT WENT OFF,

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precious readers!!



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Until  
then!





THE EYE BAR IS NOT IN THE ACTUAL CHAPTER.

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小村あゆみ

Kan-insei  
hair



森のたくさんさん ② 小村あゆみ

To draw a hairband.  
(headband)



This is her in a ponytail.

But I  
sometimes  
draw it  
randomly



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内面: 見た目重視のまま人生  
道が見つからず困ったのは、  
ぱっちゃん(高嶋子・基助、愛は運  
命を経える? ブニッラブコメ)  
2巻: 「やせたら、ちゅーしょ  
う!」 肝臓の肉眼の影響か? 似  
ぬのか? ダイエットに成功した  
西田は超迷走モードに陥る。花澤  
阿良(りめこだいじてこだいじこ  
り)のせいぜい部屋色紅 morin  
(紅葉のお家)が誕生日の色跡!

APPÉTIT!!

THIS IS THE  
SECOND VOLUME  
OF TAKUMA-SAN!  
PLEASE ENJOY IT!  
(I OCCASIONALLY  
TRY TO KEEP IT  
BRIEF.)

AYUMI  
KOMURA